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Dear Sir:

In response to the "Notice to File Missing Parts of Application, Filing Date Granted," dated January 28, 2002, response to which was due March 28, 2002, enclosed are the following:

- X A copy of the "Notice to File Missing Parts of Application Filing Date Granted".
- \underline{X} A "Declaration and Power of Attorney" executed by the inventor(s).
- X An: "Assignment" document executed by the inventor(s) along with an Assignment & Recordation Cover Sheet and a check in the amount of \$40.00.

- Archeckin the amount of \$740.00 to cover the filing fee <u>X</u>_
- A check in the amount of \$420,000 to cover the fee for five (5)) independent claims in <u>X</u> exession mes.
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- A Petition for extension of time to respond to the Notice of Missing Parts for five (5) <u>X</u>_ months.
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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in payment or credit any overpayment in connection with this matter to our Deposit Account No. 16-1805. A copy of this letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.
- Applicant must submit \$ 740 to complete the basic filing fee for a non-small entity. If appropriate, applicant may make a written assertion of entitlement to small entity status and pay the small entity filing fee (37
 - Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$420.
 - \$420 for 5 independent claims over 3.
 - The oath or declaration is missing.
 - A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
 - To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(I) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
 - The balance due by applicant is \$ 1290.

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